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## PITIFUL SCENE IN DISTRICT COURT CHAMBERS

MRS. BECK, OVERCOME BY THE STRAIN, COLLAPSES ON ARRAIGNMENT

## INDICTMENTS OF GRAND JURY

TRIAL JURY CALLED FOR THIS MORNING WITH SEVERAL WEEKS' WORK

Breaking down under the nervous strain which she has been suffering since the realization of the gravity of the offense which she committed has dawned upon her, Mrs. Margery Beck, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon Miss Charlotte Palma, some time ago, fainted in the district court room yesterday afternoon.

Her arraignment, which was scheduled to take place at 9:30 a. m., was postponed until the beginning of the afternoon session. As the preliminaries were being gone through, preparatory to the formal charge which was to be made against her, Mrs. Beck struggled to rise. Half way between a sitting and a standing posture she gave way under the strain and collapsed in the seat.

Followed by the morbidly curious throng which occupied the court room, the inert form of the woman was carried into the adjoining office. In a few minutes she revived and was taken to her home in a rig.

The change which has taken place in the demeanor of Mrs. Beck, since her arrest on the evening of the shooting, is apparent in her every move. The stubborn spirit, which was a part of her nature, has vanished. Lines of care and worry mark her countenance. In fact, outside of her physical features, there is little in common in the Margery Beck that is and the Margery Beck that was before the recent tragedy.

A demurrer to the indictment, filed by her attorney, George R. Hill, was taken under advisement. She will enter her plea Thursday morning, at 9:30.

**Grand Jury Keeps Busy**  
With more than a dozen matters taken up and disposed of during the session, the grand jury had a strenuous day.

Grover C. Moore, charged with having burglarized the Copper Hill store, some time ago, was indicted on the charge. He was arraigned and the time for trial will be set this morning.

Chin Foo, a Chinese, who is alleged to have stabbed Sam Kepner, at the boarding house at Roosevelt about four months ago, was indicted on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon. He will also be arraigned at the opening of this morning's session of court.

Belley Smalden, charged with horse stealing, was also indicted during the forenoon. He will answer this morning. He is represented by Rawlins & Little.

During the afternoon session of the grand jury the following indictments were returned:

Jack Ross, charged with having burglarized the store of the United Drug company. Eleven razors, stolen from the store, were found in his possession at the time of his arrest. He will plead at 9:30 this morning. Norman J. Johnson was appointed to defend him.

Mark Blake, charged with stealing a calf from the Three Bar ranch. He will be arraigned on a charge of grand larceny this morning.

Nellie Can and Oliver Cromwell, Apache Indians, charged with grand larceny for the stealing of a horse at Payson. J. M. McCollum was appointed to defend the squaw.

**Seven Go Free**

In the following cases, the defendants were discharged, on recommendation of the grand jury:

Bedford Taylor, Clarence Butler and Nieves Gonzales, charged with having robbed A. E. Guthrie of about \$100. E. M. Johnson, charged with embezzlement.

Alfred Alberathy, charged with having shot at Charles Fong, a Chinese, with intent to kill.

Ed Bryant, charged with having stolen a pair of shoes from the boot-black stand at Broad and Oak streets.

Newt Butler, charged with having embezzled a horse, the property of Carl Fuller.

**Other Court Doings**

Fannie King, charged with the murder of Phoebe Hunt, entered a plea of not guilty. Her case will come up for trial Saturday morning, with Thomas E. Flannigan as counsel.

Demurrers to the charges against Lowe Newton, on four counts of forgery, were overruled. It is probable

that one of the counts will come up for trial today.

Port Morse and John Wade, charged with grand larceny, pleaded guilty. They will be sentenced this morning.

E. G. Owens, charged with forgery, pleaded not guilty. His case was set for trial Friday. He is represented by J. M. McCollum.

Arthur Franks, charged with burglary, pleaded not guilty. L. L. Henry will defend him. His case will come up this morning.

In the civil suit of J. B. Newman vs. the unknown heirs of Ed. J. Lawler, to quiet title to a mining claim, judgment was entered for the plaintiff on default.

**Trial Jury Today**

This morning, the trial jury will be sworn in. Some little time will be occupied in hearing the excuses of those who desire to be relieved from service and in swearing in the veniremen.

The work of this body will then begin, and from the number of cases on the calendar, it will be some weeks before the task will be finished.

## EMINENT PREACHER RUDELY FIRED BY BAPTISTS

CHICAGO, June 22.—Professor Geo. H. Foster of the University of Chicago, whose denial of the divinity of Christ in a recent book has stirred Chicago Baptists to a high pitch of resentment, was dropped from the Baptist Minister's conference of Chicago today.

Hisses, yells and general confusion marked the meeting one of the stormiest ever held by churchmen in Chicago, and it was referred to by one preacher as resembling a political meeting in a rowdy ward.

After four hours of debate the preachers adopted the resolution dropping Professor Foster.

## CHUNG SING TELLS STORY OF ELSIE SIGEL'S DEATH

Friend of Murderer Gives Up When Put by Police Through "Third Degree"—Jealousy Was Motive

NEW YORK, June 22.—Baited and intimidated by detectives, threatened with prosecution and confused with rapid fire questions, Chung Sing, one-time room mate of Leon Ling, told this afternoon of Elsie Sigel's murder.

Under the pressure of the "Third Degree" the little Chinese admitted he had seen the body in Leon Ling's room, that he had touched it while it was still warm, that he had sneaked drugs and had watched Leon Ling's preparations for placing the body in the trunk where it was found decomposed last Friday night.

Chung Sing, if what was learned at the criminal courts building is correct, described almost everything concerning the murder except the actual commission of the crime.

**Held As Witness**

He denied complicity in it, and protested stoutly that he was ignorant of the whereabouts of Ling, the supposed murderer.

He was held in \$10,000 bail to await the inquest.

Chung Sing is 35 years old, and is a native of Canton. He was arrested yesterday at West Galway, New York, and was brought to New York today.

Immediately after his arrest and during his trip to this city he was interrogated, bullied, persuaded and entangled in a mass of questions.

**Tells Story of Crime**

It was not until late, however, that his spirit was sufficiently broken or sufficient inducements were offered for him to cast aside his air of stolidity and tell of the death of the young missionary.

Then the Chinaman told with brutal bluntness of the girl's death.

Assistant District Attorney Ward and District Attorney Jerome were present, and from what can be learned it was Jerome himself who finally drew the story from Chung Sing's lips.

He was told that Leon Ling had been captured and had laid the blame upon Chung Sing's shoulders.

This, together with persistent hammering at the prisoner, brought the confession. From the story, it is apparent that Elsie Sigel first was drugged with chloroform and then choked to death. She was killed apparently on the night of June 9, although Chung Sing appeared a little mixed in his

## SENATE AGREES ON 15 PER CENT ON HIDES

DUTY APPLIES ONLY TO HIDES WEIGHING TWENTY-FIVE OR MORE POUNDS

## ALDRICH HAS NEW SCHEDULES

LONG DEBATE RESULTS AS USUAL IN SUSTAINING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—

Late today the senate voted the hides schedule and after several amendments had been defeated and the amendment of the finance committee fixing a duty of 15 per cent ad valorem on hides was agreed to by a vote of 36 to 30. This is the rate of the present law, but under the ruling of the treasury department is applicable only to hides weighing more than twenty-five pounds. The house placed all hides on the free list. Senator McLaurin undertook to have the provision amended so as to make the duty apply to hides weighing less than twenty-five pounds, but failed, his amendment being voted down 31 to 48.

An amendment by Stone, placing not only hides, but many of their products, on the free list, was also lost.

Aldrich, on behalf of the finance committee, brought in the committee's new lumber schedule and also a number of amendments relating to linoleum and oil cloth. The committee proposed a rate of \$1.50 per 100 feet on sawed lumber, a 50 per cent increase over the house rate.

More than six hours were devoted to debate, which began with a speech by

McCumber for a duty on hides, in which he was sustained by Gamble and Heyburn. They argued that the effort to make hides free was solely to the interest of the manufacturers.

Mr. Burton and Mr. Page supported the free hide policy. Burton declared the beef trust obtained all of the benefit derived from a duty on hides.

The feature was a speech by "Bob" Taylor of Tennessee, which attracted much favorable attention and established good nature. Taylor pleaded for a tariff for revenue and took a decided position against free raw material.

## INDIANA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

LAFAYETTE, Ind., June 22.—Mayors and other officials of many of the chief cities of Indiana met here today to exchange views on important municipal problems. The occasion is the annual convention of the Indiana Municipal League. Joseph T. McNary of Logansport, called the gathering to order this afternoon, and Mayor Duran of Lafayette delivered the address of welcome. Response for the visitors was made by Mayor Murphy of Wabash. The program of papers and discussions will be taken up this evening and continued through Wednesday and Thursday. Some of the subjects slated for consideration are civic improvement, the tramp problem, hygiene and sanitation, municipal ownership of public utilities, the present cities and towns law, and the collection and disposal of garbage.

## AFTER PART OF CHINA'S LOAN

NEW YORK, June 22.—William D. Straight, who recently resigned his position as head of the bureau of far eastern affairs of the state department, sailed today for Europe enroute to China. New York banking firms who are interested in procuring a part of the loan which China is presently to issue.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

WAUSAU, Wis., June 22.—The arrival here today of several hundred delegates from all parts of the state marked the opening of the annual convention of the Wisconsin Sunday school association. The sessions will continue until Friday. Dr. A. C. Dixon of Chicago, Charles D. Meigs of Indianapolis and other well known divines and Sunday school experts are on the program. Professor Charles W. Treat of Lawrence college, will preside over the gathering.

## TUCSON RAILROADERS CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

TUCSON, June 22.—Ben Klink, ex-conductor, and Tom Northern, ex-freeman, were formally charged this afternoon with assault with intent to commit murder, following the investigation into the dynamiting of the residence of Superintendent Whalen, of the Tucson division. The prisoners retained counsel and demanded a hearing, which was set for Friday. Bond for each defendant was placed at \$1,000.

## CONDITION OF RAILROAD KING NOT DANGEROUS

VIENNA, June 22.—Accompanied by members of his family, Harriman left Vienna this afternoon for the Semmering, a mountain resort.

Professor Strempell, Harriman's physician, was questioned today regarding his patient. He said the magnate's condition is neither alarming nor dangerous. He is affected with a nervous ailment, but not serious, and he will undergo a prescribed cure.

## NELSON IS AWARDED DECISION OVER CLIFFORD

CROWD HOWLS FOR MONEY BACK WHEN FIGHT IS STOPPED IN FIFTH ROUND

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 22.—Battling Nelson was awarded the decision over Jack Clifford in the fifth round of what was to have been a fifteen round bout tonight.

Referee Porters stopped the fight when Clifford had been knocked to the floor by a heavy jab in the stomach. He said he feared Clifford would be hurt and the authorities interfered. Clifford arose after the count of five, however, and demanded that the fight continue.

The abrupt ending of the match angered the spectators, who hissed and jeered the fighters. The disappointed crowd swarmed about the box office, demanding that their money be refunded.

## SUIT BROUGHT TO ANNUAL GOVERNOR M'CORD'S WIDOW

PHOENIX, June 22.—Action was filed in the district court today to annul the will of the late Myron H. McCord, former governor of Arizona, in favor of Mary Emma McCord, the surviving widow in Phoenix at the time of McCord's death, in April, 1908.

The suit was begun in the interest of Anna H. McCord, whom the deceased married in Shawano, Wis., in 1861. It is alleged that Anna continued to be the wife of McCord until his death. Within ten years after their marriage McCord secured a divorce in Wisconsin and married Sarah Elita McCord, a girl whom he had educated, and who came to Arizona with him in 1893 and lived in Phoenix as his wife until her death, a few years ago, since which time McCord was for the third time married to the defendant in this case, Mary Emma McCord. It is alleged the divorce secured forty years ago was illegal, and so declared by the courts of Wisconsin within a year.

The Arizona estate is not large, consisting of a Phoenix residence, ranch, etc., sufficient for the maintenance of the third wife, Mary Emma McCord. Charles J. McCord, a son by his first wife, Anna, is understood to be concerned with his mother in the project to recover the property. He is now living in Wisconsin and was once a resident of Phoenix, and for a time served his father as private secretary.

## MURDER OF HODGES EXCITES YUMA PEOPLE

LATER DETAILS OF KILLING OF OLD AND HONORED RESIDENT OF COUNTY

## IS SHOT WITH HIS OWN RIFLE

POSSE OF OFFICERS AND CITIZENS SCOURING VICINITY OF ATROCITY

YUMA, June 22.—Yuma is in a frenzy of excitement over the murder of Pete Hodges, the well known proprietor of a butcher shop at Potholes. The murdered man leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

The Hodges family is one of the oldest, largest and best known in Yuma, in which place its numerous members have resided for three generations.

Latest news of the tragedy is that the deceased left Yuma on the 19th in company with his hired man Manuel Arvizio and a third man, Francisco Marquez, who is guilty of the cowardly and atrocious crime. The object of the journey was to acquire a mine near Dome which Marquez said he had discovered.

There was only one rifle in the outfit, which belonged to Hodges.

As they were driving along about noon near Cipriano peak which overlooks the divide, Marquez turned to Mr. Hodges and said there were always mountain sheep up there and they might as well have one.

Hodges replied, "All right," and handed him his rifle.

After being gone about half an hour a shot was heard and soon after that Marquez appeared on the rocks above and yelled to Hodges to come up. He left the wagon, telling Hodges to stay with the team and started up the hill. After this Arvizio heard two shots. He waited for fully half an hour with the team and as he began to grow uneasy, Marquez suddenly appeared on the rocks above him. He called to him to come up and bring a knife. Supposing that he had killed some sheep, he started up the hill, but when he was half way up he was shot from ambush, the ball glancing from one of his ribs and making an ugly furrow in his side.

He fled down the hill and remained some time, dressing his wounded side. Meanwhile Marquez appeared on the rocks and signalled with his hands, indicating that he should return. Instead of this, Arvizio, who was unarmed, prudently unyoked the team and started with the horses for Dome. Owing to his wounded side, the led horse, however, escaped.

A posse, consisting of Undersheriff Walter Riley and some of the most active and energetic citizens of Yuma, went to the scene of the murder and scoured the hills.

Saturday the body of Mr. Hodges was found by them.

It appears that Marquez has been living with an Indian woman who has a son. This lad appeared at the store of Mr. Alexander in Yuma today and bought some cartridges of the same calibre as the gun used by the murderer. He was followed and overhauled by a young man, son of Sheriff Livingston, who took the cartridges from him and found them to be of a different calibre from those purchased from Mr. Alexander.

The murderer was evidently near at hand and must have made his way from the hills and ridden towards his home a few miles from Yuma. A large

## SENATE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE PERRIN CASE

ORDER MADE TO PRODUCE ALL DOCUMENTS IN FAMOUS LITIGATION

## WILL LOOK AFTER MR. DEVLIN

PAINFUL INSINUATION MADE OF ATTITUDE OF ROOSEVELT IN MATTER

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Attorney General Wickersham, by an order adopted by the senate committee on judiciary today, is commanded to send to the senate all the facts in his possession relating to the prosecution of Dr. E. B. Perrin of Williams, Ariz., on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government in the California timber land cases.

This data was sealed by Attorney General Bonaparte and the packages, which were left in the files of the department of justice, were marked "Confidential."

Several days ago members of the sub-committee considering the appointment of Robert T. Devlin, for United States attorney for the northern district of California, obtained some information regarding these packages and required Wickersham to send them to the senate. He declined to do so because of the endorsement on the package, which, he said, had been placed there by his predecessor and which he desired to respect.

**To Relieve Attorney General**

The order to send the data to the senate committee was made in order to relieve the attorney general of responsibility in the matter. Confirmation of the reappointment of Mr. Devlin, who was nominated on March 22, but has been opposed because of the criticism of his course in conducting the Perrin case.

The sub-committee investigating the Devlin nomination is composed of Piles, Borah and Overman.

It was brought out during one of their sessions that the report bearing on the land fraud cases in which Perrin was involved had been made by W. R. Harr, formerly special attorney in the land fraud cases and now assistant to the attorney general.

Perrin was convicted, but on an appeal the case was reversed and remanded for re-trial. It was said conviction had been obtained by reason of perjured testimony given by a witness named C. P. Snell, who had been in Perrin's employ.

**Charge Against Devlin**

The chief criticism of Devlin is that he declined to nolle prosequere the case, although the Harr report declares such action should be taken.

Mr. Devlin has been condemned also for his failure to secure the conviction of Snell on a charge of perjury.

It was brought before the subcommittee today that the Harr report declares Perrin's conviction was procured by methods that could not be approved by the department of justice. Harr gave the details of the indictment of Perrin, which he attributed to a statement made by W. J. Burns, a United States secret service operative, whose services were loaned to Francis J. Heney in gathering evidence in timber land fraud cases.

**Roosevelt Wished Indictment**

This statement, which was made to the grand jury, was that Burns had come from Oyster Bay and that he knew that Roosevelt desired to have Perrin indicted.

The sub-committee discussed the Harr report. Senator Borah declared to his colleagues that it was evident Bonaparte did not wait to proceed on the line recommended by Harr, which called for dismissal of proceedings against Perrin and the prosecution of Snell on a charge of perjury.

Borah insisted that the reason for Bonaparte's failure to act should be given.

When a response has been received from Attorney General Wickersham to the order made today, a session of the full committee will be held and it is possible that the committee may inquire into the methods resorted to by the department of justice under the Roosevelt administration in gathering evidence in land fraud cases.

## WIFE OF ARMY CAPTAIN

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22.—A brilliant military wedding took place in St. Luke's church today, when Miss Bertha Edwidge Smith of this city became the bride of Captain George Biegelow Pillsbury, U. S. A. The wedding was attended by a number of prominent army officers.

## WEATHER BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—Forecast for Arizona: Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday.